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Re: Georgia State Plan Amendment (SPA) GA-23-0006

Dear Ms. Rhodes:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) completed review of Georgia's State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number GA-23-0006 submitted on May 24, 2023. The purpose of this SPA is to add the Pathways beneficiaries as a mandatory population enrolled in managed care.

We conducted our review of this amendment according to statutory requirements of Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing Federal regulations. This letter is to inform you that Georgia Medicaid SPA Transmittal Number GA-23-0006 is approved effective July 1, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Tara Smith Porcher at 212-616-2418 or via email at tara.porcher@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Brooks". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Bill Brooks
Director
Division of Managed Care Operations

cc: Melonie Watson, DCH
Sabrina Tillman-Boyd, CMS
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Citation	Condition or Requirement
	<p><i>income limit pursuant to Section 1925.</i></p> <p><u>Pregnant Women (Right from the Start Medicaid – RSM)</u> - Pregnant women with family income at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level who receive Medicaid through the RSM program. Pursuant to section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(iv) and 1902(1)(1)(A) and 1902(e)(5).</p> <p><u>Children (Right from the Start Medicaid RSM)</u> - Children under age nineteen (19) whose family income is at or below the appropriate percentage of the federal poverty level for their age and family, pursuant to section 1902(1)(1)(B) and 1902(1)(1)(C) and 1902(1)(1)(D).</p> <p><u>Children (newborn)</u> - Pursuant to section 1902(e)(4), a child born to a woman who is eligible Medicaid on the day the child is born.</p> <p><u>Breast and Cervical Cancer</u> – Pursuant to section 1902(1)(10)(ii)(xviii) women under 65 who have been screened through Title XV CDC screening and have been diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer.</p> <p><u>Refugees</u> - Those individuals who have the required INS documentation showing they meet a status in one of these groups: refugees, asylees, Cuban parolees/Haitian entrants, Amerasians or human trafficking victims.</p> <p><u>Georgia Pathways</u>- Pursuant to a section 1115 demonstration waiver, the population enrolled in <u>Georgia Pathways</u>.</p>
	<p>2. Mandatory exempt groups identified in 1932(a)(1)(A)(i) and 42 CFR 438.50.</p> <p>Use a check mark to affirm if there is voluntary enrollment any of the following mandatory exempt groups.</p>
1932(a)(2)(B) 42 CFR 438(d)(1)	<p>i. <input type="checkbox"/> Recipients who are also eligible for Medicare.</p> <p>If enrollment is voluntary, describe the circumstances of enrollment. (Example: Recipients who become Medicare eligible during mid-enrollment remain eligible for managed care and are not disenrolled into fee-for- service.)</p>
1932(a)(2)(C) 42 CFR 438(d)(2)	<p>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Indians who are members of Federally recognized Tribes except when the MCO or PCCM is operated by the Indian Health Service or an Indian Health program operating under a contract, grant or cooperative agreement with the Indian Health Service pursuant to the Indian Self Determination Act; or an Urban Indian program operating under a contract or grant with</p>